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The Honorable Herbert Hoover, c/o Hoover Library Stanford University Palo Alto, California

Dear Chief:

I appreciated your letter of 3 July 1954 regarding General Mark Clark and I enclose a copy of a telegram which I sent him yesterday morning. This morning I had a very pleasant talk with him by telephone. He is off to Brazil for about a month and I am planning to get in touch with him upon his return early in August. Meanwhile, I will be gathering material and outlining certain organizational problems which we have here.

I am planning to be away for a few weeks after the adjournment of Congress as I expect to go to Europe to inspect some of our work over there and also to get a bit of a holiday. I should be back before the middle of September. While I doubt whether General Clark will want to start functioning before then, I would have everything arranged so he can do so if he wishes even prior to my return.

Naturally I should appreciate it if I could have an opportunity to talk with you and General Clark before final decision is made on other members of the Task Force.

I feel sure that a constructive job can be done and both my staff and I will do everything possible to facilitate this.

Respectfully yours,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles Director

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